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Accommodation for the students in Government Basic Training schools, Parvatipur.

* 897 *Q.*—SRI K. GOVINDA RAO: Will the Hon. the Minister for Education be pleased to state whether the Government are considering a proposal to provide more accommodation for the students in the Government Basic Training school, Parvatipur, Srikakulam district?

THE HON. DR. M. V. KRISHNA RAO:—" The answer is in the affirmative."

Supply of electricity to Kuthuparamba and other places in North Malabar.

* 898 *Q.*—SRI V. R. KRISHNA AYYAR: Will the Hon. the Minister for Public Works be pleased to state whether any representations from the M.L.A. of that constituency have been received in 1952 or 1953 urging Government to supply electricity to Kuthuparamba (North Malabar) and to nearby panchayat area: and if so, what final decision has been taken thereon by the Government?

THE HON. SRI N. RANGA REDDI:—" Yes. A major ten-year scheme for extension of supply from Cannanore to Badagara, Quilandy, etc., villages is under the consideration of Government. When this has been sanctioned and executed, a second point of supply will be given to the West Coast Electric Supply Corporation, Limited, to enable them to extend supply of electricity to Kuthuparamba and nearby panchayat areas."

Leasing of the waste lands belonging to landlords in Malabar.

* 899 *Q.*—SRI T. C. NARAYANA NAMBIAR: Will the Hon the Minister for Land Revenue be pleased to state the action taken by the Government to lease the waste lands belonging to the landlords in Malabar for cultivation?

THE HON. SRI M. A. MANICKAVELU NAICKER:—" The Madras Land Utilization Order, 1950, authorises Collectors to take over for purposes of cultivation lands which are left waste by landholders without reasonable cause and lease them to other ryots who may be willing to take them up. Such leases are generally for three years. In implementing the provisions of the Madras Land Utilization Order in Malabar district, the Collector has been asked to concentrate on fairly large-size areas of arable lands to start with as the experience thus gained, will be useful in tackling the smaller bits of waste lands scattered all over the district. Lists of such waste lands attracting the provisions of the order have been prepared and the Revenue Divisional Officers have been asked to proceed with the implementation of the Order. It may, however, be noted that action under the Madras Land Utilization Order is taken only in cases where the parties are not amenable to

persuasion, and about 71 acres of waste land in Palghat taluk have been brought under cultivation by persuasion. Also the mere publication of the Order has induced the landholders in the district in many cases, to bring the waste lands in their possession under the plough.

Section 52-B of the Malabar Tenancy Act, 1929, empowers the Government to direct the landlord of any waste land to lease it for agricultural purposes. The question of authorising officers and framing rules under Section 52-B of the Malabar Tenancy Act, 1929, is under the consideration of the Government."

Water-supply scheme for Vayalpad town.

* 900 *Q.*—SRI D. SEETHARAMIAH: Will the Hon. the Minister for Health be pleased to state—

(*a*) when the water-supply scheme of Vayalpad town was taken up;

(*b*) at what stage it is at present; and

(*c*) when it will be completed?

THE HON. SRI A. B. SHETTY:—" (*a*) The execution of the scheme was taken up sometime before 1940; but due to the War, the work was suspended and resumed in 1949.

" (*b*) All the items of work relating to the scheme except some minor items and distribution system have been completed. Further work on the distribution system will be taken up on receipt of pipes and specials for which an indent is being placed.

" (*c*) The work is expected to be completed by the end of 1954."

Educational concessions to the students of backward classes.

* 901 *Q.*—SRI K. R. VISWANATHAN: Will the Hon. the Minister for Education be pleased to state the action taken by the Government in cases where the managements fail to comply with rule 92 of the Madras Educational Rules regarding educational concessions to students of backward classes?

THE HON. DR. M. V. KRISHNA RAO:—" So far, no case has come up to the notice of the Education Department where managements have failed to comply with the provisions of rule 92 of the Madras Educational Rules regarding fee concessions."

Closing of gruel centres for weavers in Cuddapah.

* 902 *Q.*—SRI K. RAMIAH: Will the Hon. the Minister for Land Revenue be pleased to state—

(*a*) whether the Collector of Cuddapah has recently ordered the closing of gruel centres started for the benefit of weavers in distress; and

(*b*) if so, the reasons for the same?